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## Senate

The Senate met at 10 a.m. and was called to order by the Honorable HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON, a Senator from the State of New York.

### PRAYER

The guest Chaplain, Commissioner John Busby, of the Salvation Army, offered the following prayer:

Almighty God, we thank You for being the refuge and strength of our Nation during these last painful months. We praise You for the comfort You have given during our time of deepest need.

Faithful God, we ask Your blessing upon our Senators. Give them wisdom and compassion as they lead our country. Give them wisdom to see the deep physical and spiritual needs of many Americans. Give them courage to affirm that faith in You gives meaning to human life and that service to humanity is the best work we can do.

We humbly ask You to help the Members of the Senate make this great Nation greater. May we all realize that the prosperity we enjoy in the United States of America has come only by Your grace. Make us worthy stewards of that grace. Help us all to put into action Your greatest commandment to love God with all our heart, mind, strength and our neighbor as ourselves.

This we pray in the name of Jesus who set for us the example of service above self. Amen.

### PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The Honorable HILLARY RODMAN CLINTON led the Pledge of Allegiance, as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

### APPOINTMENT OF ACTING PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE

The PRESIDING OFFICER. The clerk will please read a communication

to the Senate from the President pro tempore (Mr. BYRD).

The assistant legislative clerk read the following letter:

U.S. SENATE,  
PRESIDENT PRO TEMPORE,  
Washington, DC, May 9, 2002.

To the Senate:

Under the provisions of rule I, paragraph 3, of the Standing Rules of the Senate, I hereby appoint the Honorable HILLARY RODHAM CLINTON, a Senator from the State of New York, to perform the duties of the Chair.

ROBERT C. BYRD,  
President pro tempore.

Mrs. CLINTON thereupon assumed the chair as Acting President pro tempore.

### RECOGNITION OF THE ACTING MAJORITY LEADER

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The acting majority leader is recognized.

### SCHEDULE

Mr. REID. Madam President, this morning the Senate will be in a period of morning business until 10:30 a.m., with the time under the control of Senator STABENOW or her designee.

At 10:30 a.m. the Senate will proceed to executive session to consider four judicial nominations. At approximately 11:30 a.m. the Senate will proceed to vote on these nominations.

Following disposition of these nominations, the Senate will resume consideration of the trade bill.

### MARY ANNE MOORE CLARKSON GIVES BIRTH

Mr. REID. Madam President, for all of us who work here on a daily basis, we congratulate Mary Anne Moore Clarkson who, last night had a baby weighing more than 10 pounds. Mary Anne is here every day. We are excited for her and her husband. Some of us

know she is Senator BYRD's granddaughter. We are excited for him and the entire family.

### MEASURE PLACED ON THE CALENDAR—S. 2485

Mr. REID. Madam President, I understand S. 2485 is at the desk and is due for a second reading.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. That is correct.

Mr. REID. I ask that the bill be read for a second time, and I will then object to any further proceedings at this time.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. The clerk will read the bill by title.

The assistant legislative clerk read as follows:

A bill (S. 2485) entitled the "Andean Trade Promotion and Drug Eradication Act."

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Objection having been heard, the bill will be placed on the calendar.

Mr. REID. When the Chair turns to a period for morning business, I ask unanimous consent the Senator from West Virginia, Mr. ROCKEFELLER, be recognized for up to 7 minutes. That will be out of Senator STABENOW's time.

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Without objection, it is so ordered.

### RESERVATION OF LEADER TIME

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, leadership time is reserved.

### MORNING BUSINESS

The ACTING PRESIDENT pro tempore. Under the previous order, there will now be a period for the transaction of morning business not to extend beyond the hour of 10:30 a.m., with Senators permitted to speak for up to 10

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